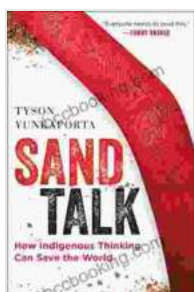


How Indigenous Thinking Can Save The World

In her groundbreaking book, *How Indigenous Thinking Can Save The World*, Robin Wall Kimmerer argues that the key to healing our relationship with the Earth lies in learning from indigenous ways of knowing. Drawing on her own experiences as a botanist and member of the Potawatomi Nation, she shows how indigenous peoples have a deep understanding of the natural world and a profound respect for all living things.



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Kimmerer begins by exploring the concept of "reciprocity," which is central to indigenous thinking. Reciprocity is the idea that we are all connected to each other and to the Earth, and that we must give back to the Earth what we take from it. This concept is in stark contrast to the Western worldview, which sees the Earth as a resource to be exploited for our own benefit.

Kimmerer also discusses the importance of storytelling in indigenous cultures. Stories are a way of passing down knowledge and wisdom from

generation to generation, and they can help us to understand the world around us. Kimmerer shares several stories in the book, including the story of the "Three Sisters" (corn, beans, and squash), which is a parable about the importance of cooperation and interdependence.

Perhaps the most important lesson that we can learn from indigenous thinking is the importance of humility. Kimmerer writes, "Humility is not about thinking less of ourselves, but about thinking of ourselves less." We need to recognize that we are not the center of the universe, and that we are just one part of a vast web of life. When we learn to be humble, we can begin to heal our relationship with the Earth and with each other.

How Indigenous Thinking Can Save The World is a powerful and inspiring book that offers a new way of thinking about our relationship with the Earth. Kimmerer's writing is clear and concise, and she provides plenty of examples to illustrate her points. This book is essential reading for anyone who is concerned about the future of our planet.

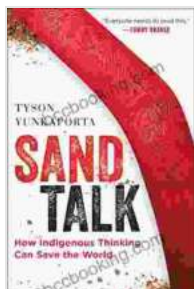
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Further Reading

- *How Indigenous Thinking Can Save the World* by Robin Wall Kimmerer (Sierra Club)

- How Indigenous Thinking Can Save the World by Robin Wall Kimmerer (The Atlantic)
- How Indigenous Thinking Can Save the World by Robin Wall Kimmerer (The New York Times)



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